

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

1-13. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently amended) A method for the electronic trading of emission reduction benefits ~~using a carbon management application~~, the method comprising:

~~assessing a supplier in connection with carbon dioxide equivalent emissions of the supplier;~~

~~creating an emission reducing project based at least in part on the assessment;~~

~~converting the emission reducing project to a volume of emission reduction benefit;~~

~~storing the a volume of emission reduction benefit in a warehouse memory associated with at least one computing device, the volume of emission reduction benefit derived from at least one emission reduction project created by a supplier in connection with carbon dioxide equivalent emissions of the supplier;~~

~~receiving an indication, from a buyer at a point of sale terminal in communication with the at least one computing device, to purchase at least one of a product and a service;~~

~~determining an amount of carbon dioxide reduction benefit necessary for the at least one of the product and the service to be emission neutral based at least in part of an amount of carbon dioxide generated by the at least one of the product and the service;~~

~~communicating to the buyer the amount of carbon dioxide reduction benefit necessary for the at least one of the product or the service to be emission neutral;~~

~~receiving a request from a the buyer to purchase at least a portion of the amount of carbon dioxide reduction benefit necessary for the at least one of the product or the service to be emission neutral;~~

~~reducing the volume of emission reduction benefit to account for the at least a portion of the carbon dioxide benefit purchased by the buyer; and~~

~~in response to receiving the request purchase, providing the buyer with an emission retirement guarantee, wherein the emission retirement guarantee prevents the purchased~~

amount of emission reduction benefit in the warehouse from being repurchased.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the providing further comprises:

dividing the emission reduction benefit into a plurality of smaller benefits; and
providing the plurality of smaller benefits to the buyer.

15. (Currently amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the stored volume of emission reduction benefit comprise an aggregate ~~the emission reduction benefit is a basket of~~ emission reduction benefits from a plurality of suppliers.

16-19 (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 13, further comprising providing the buyer with a listing that displays a plurality of emission reducing projects that will be reduced to account for buyers purchased carbon dioxide reduction benefit.

21. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising providing the buyer with an opportunity to search for the emission reducing project.

22-48. (Cancelled)

49. (New) The method of claim 13, comprising determining a price for the determined amount of carbon dioxide reduction benefit necessary for the at least one of the product and service to be emission neutral and communicating to the buyer the determined price.